## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re:	)	Chapter 11
SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION, et al., 1	)	Case No. 18-23538 (RDD)
Debtors.	)	(Jointly Administered)
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SUMMARY OF SEVENTH INTERIM FEE APPLICATION OF PRIME CLERK LLC, AS ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT TO THE DEBTORS, FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR THE PERIOD FROM NOVEMBER 1, 2020 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2021

Name of Applicant: Prime Clerk LLC

Authorized to Provide Services as: Administrative Agent

Date of Retention: November 19, 2018 nunc pro tunc to October 15,

2018

\$4,944.75

November 1, 2020 through February 28, 2021

Period for Which Compensation and

Reimbursement is Sought: ("Interim Fee Period")

termoursement is sought.

Amount of Compensation Sought as Actual,

Reasonable and Necessary:

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Amount of Expense Reimbursement Sought: \$70.00

**Total Amount of Fees and Expense Reimbursement Sought as Actual,** 

Reasonable and Necessary: \$5,014.75

**Total Amount Sought to Be** 

Paid at This Time: \$3,617.28

This is an: \_\_\_\_\_ monthly \_\_\_ X \_\_ interim \_\_\_\_ final application.

#### **Prior Interim Fee Applications**

DATE FILED; ECF NO.	PERIOD COVERED	REQUESTED		PAID OR	TO BE PAID
4/15/19; Docket No. 3196	10/15/18 –	Fees	Expenses	Fees (100%)	Expenses (100%)
Docket No. 3196	2/28/19	\$981.75	\$0.00	\$981.75	\$0.00
8/14/19; Docket No. 4840	3/1/19 – 6/30/19	\$30,579.85	\$0.00	\$30,579.85	\$0.00
12/13/19 Docket No. 6214	7/1/19 – 10/31/19	\$446,260.50	\$4,801.46	\$446,260.50	\$4,801.46
4/14/20 Docket No. 7814	11/1/19 – 2/29/20	\$199,823.43	\$813.47	\$199,823.43	\$813.47
8/14/20; Docket No. 8377	3/1/20 - 6/30/20	\$4,409.78	\$0.00	\$4,409.78	\$0.00
12/15/20; Docket No. 9185	7/1/20 — 10/31/20	\$15,731.87	\$70.00	\$15,731.87	\$70.00
TOTAL		\$697,787.18	\$5,684.93	\$697,787.18	\$5,684.93

#### **Prior Monthly Fee Statements Filed During the Interim Fee Period**

		Requested		Appro		
Date Filed; Docket No.	Period Covered	Fees	Expenses	Fees	Expenses	Holdback (20%)
1/29/21; Docket No. 9274	11/1/20 - 12/31/20	\$1,659.34 (payment of 80% or \$1,327.47)	\$70.00	\$1,327.47 (80% of \$1,659.34)	\$70.00 \$0.00	\$331.87
3/1/21; Docket No. 9329	1/1/21 — 1/31/21	\$1,871.53 (payment of 80% or \$1,497.23)	\$0.00	\$1,497.23 (80% of \$1,871.53)		\$374.30

3/30/21; Docket No. 9382	2/1/21 — 2/28/21	\$1,413.88 (payment of 80% or \$1,131.10)	\$0.00	\$1,131.10 (80% of \$1,413.88)	\$0.00	\$282.78
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#### Summary of Hours Billed by Prime Clerk Employees During the Interim Fee Period

Prime Clerk Employee	Position of the Applicant	Total Hours	Hourly Rate <sup>2</sup>	Total Fees Requested
Allen, Richard M	Director	2.60	\$266.20	\$692.12
Brunswick, Gabriel	Director	1.40	\$266.20	\$372.68
Weiner, Shira D	Director	0.40	\$266.20	\$106.48
Allen, Richard M	Director	2.30	\$242.00	\$556.60
Brunswick, Gabriel	Director	2.30	\$242.00	\$556.60
Karotkin, Josh L	Director	0.20	\$242.00	\$48.40
Weiner, Shira D	Director	0.60	\$242.00	\$145.20
Crowell, Messiah L	Solicitation Consultant	0.30	\$260.10	\$78.03
Gray, Ackheem J	Solicitation Consultant	1.10	\$260.10	\$286.11
Kesler, Stanislav	Solicitation Consultant	1.70	\$260.10	\$442.17
Plerqui, Justin	Solicitation Consultant	1.90	\$260.10	\$494.19
Porter, Christine C	Senior Consultant	8.20	\$235.90	\$1,934.38
Bitman, Oleg	Senior Consultant	0.20	\$214.50	\$42.90
Porter, Christine C	Senior Consultant	4.40	\$214.50	\$943.80
Frans, Joudeleen	Consultant	1.20	\$211.70	\$254.04
Pagan, Chanel C	Consultant	0.40	\$192.50	\$77.00
Gomez, Christine	Technology Consultant	0.50	\$66.50	\$33.25
TOTAL		29.70		\$7,063.95 <sup>3</sup>
	BLENDED RATE		\$237.84	

#### Summary of Hours Billed by Subject Matter During the Interim Fee Period

Matter Description	Total Hours	Total Fees Requested
Corporate Actions	5.50	\$1,333.75
Disbursements	19.10	\$4,472.24
Retention / Fee Application	5.10	\$1,257.96
TOTAL	29.70	\$7,063.95 <sup>4</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Prime Clerk's hourly rates increased effective January 1, 2021, in accordance with the terms of Prime Clerk's engagement letter. Accordingly, Prime Clerk's employees are reflected in this chart at their former and current billing rates, as applicable.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3,4</sup> This amount has been discounted to \$4,944.75 in accordance with the terms of Prime Clerk's retention. Taking into account this discount, the blended hourly rate is \$166.49.

### **Summary of Expenses Incurred During the Interim Fee Period**

Description	Total
Telephonic Hearings	\$70.00
TOTAL	\$70.00

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Prime Clerk LLC ("**Prime Clerk**"), administrative agent to Sears Holdings Corporation and certain of its affiliates as debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "**Debtors**"), files this seventh interim fee application (the "**Application**"), pursuant to sections 327, 330 and 331 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "**Bankruptcy Code**"), Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "**Bankruptcy Rules**"), Rule 2016-1 of the Local Rules (the "**Local Bankruptcy Rules**") of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "**Court**") and the *Order Authorizing Procedures for Interim Compensation and* 

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Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals [Docket No. 796] (the "Compensation Order"), for payment of compensation for professional services rendered to the Debtors and for reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred in connection with such services for the interim period from November 1, 2020 through February 28, 2021 (the "Interim Fee Period"). In support of the Application, Prime Clerk respectfully represents as follows:

#### **Jurisdiction**

- 1. This Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334 and the Amended Standing Order Reference of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, dated January 31, 2012 (Preska, C.J.). This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2)(A). Venue is proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1408 and 1409.
- 2. The predicates for the relief requested herein are sections 327, 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 2016, Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1 and the Compensation Order.

#### **Background**

3. On October 15, 2018 (the "Commencement Date"), each of the Debtors filed a voluntary petition with the Court under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors are operating their business and managing their property as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. On October 16, 2018, this Court entered an order jointly administering these chapter 11 cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b). An official committee of unsecured creditors was appointed in these chapter 11 cases on October 24, 2018. On April 22, 2019, the Court entered an order appointing an independent fee examiner [Docket No. 3307].

#### **Retention of Prime Clerk**

4. On November 19, 2018, the Court entered the *Order Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §* 327(a), Bankruptcy Rules 2014(a) and 2016(a), and Local Rules 2014-1 and 2016-1 Authorizing Retention and Employment of Prime Clerk LLC as Administrative Agent for the Debtors Nunc Pro

<u>Tunc</u> to the Commencement Date [Docket No. 812], which authorized the Debtors to employ and retain Prime Clerk as administrative agent nunc pro tunc to the Commencement Date in these chapter 11 cases.

#### **Relief Requested**

5. By this Application, Prime Clerk seeks allowance on an interim basis of compensation for professional services rendered to the Debtors during the Interim Fee Period in the aggregate amount of \$4,944.75, and for reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred in connection with the rendering of such services in the aggregate amount of \$70.00, for a total aggregate amount of \$5,014.75. Itemized invoices for the Interim Fee Period are attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

#### **Monthly Compensation**

6. Pursuant to the Compensation Order, Prime Clerk has previously submitted a description of the hours it spent rendering services to the Debtors during the Interim Fee Period and a request for allowance and payment of fees and expenses related to such services in its (i) Combined Monthly Fee Statement of Prime Clerk LLC, as Administrative Agent to the Debtors, for the Period from November 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 [Docket No. 9274], (ii) Monthly Fee Statement of Prime Clerk LLC, as Administrative Agent to the Debtors, for the Period from January 1, 2021 through January 31, 2021 [Docket No. 9329], and (iii) Monthly Fee Statement of Prime Clerk LLC, as Administrative Agent to the Debtors, for the Period from

February 1, 2021 through February 28, 2021 [Docket No. 9382] (each, a "Monthly Fee Statement," and collectively, the "Monthly Fee Statements").

- 7. All services for which compensation has been requested by Prime Clerk during the Interim Fee Period were performed for or on behalf of the Debtors. The fees and disbursements sought by this Application do not include any fees or disbursements that have been sought for services provided by Prime Clerk under the Notice and Claims Agent Retention Order<sup>2</sup>, which provides for separate procedures for the payment of such fees and disbursements. Similarly, no fees or disbursements for services provided to the Debtors under the Notice and Claims Agent Retention Order has been sought by the Monthly Fee Statements or is being sought hereby.
- 8. Lastly, except to the extent of the advance paid to Prime Clerk (as described in the Prime Clerk LLC Engagement Letter between Prime Clerk and the Debtors) and payment of the fees and disbursements sought in the Monthly Fee Statements, Prime Clerk has neither sought nor received any payment or promises for payment from any source during the Interim Fee Period in connection with the matters described in this Application. Also, there is no agreement or understanding between Prime Clerk and any other person, other than the affiliates, partners, managers, directors and employees of Prime Clerk, for sharing of the compensation to be received for services rendered to the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases.

#### **Summary of Professional Services Rendered**

9. The professional services that Prime Clerk rendered during the Interim Fee Period are grouped by subject matter and summarized as follows:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Notice and Claims Agent Retention Order is that certain *Order Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 105(a), 28 U.S.C. § 156(c), and Local Rule 5075-1 Appointing Prime Clerk LLC as Claims and Noticing Agent for the Debtors*, entered by the Court on October 16, 2018 [Docket No. 113].

#### • Corporate Actions

Fees: \$1,333.75;<sup>3</sup> Hours: 5.50

Corporate Actions services provided included: (i) reviewing and responding to inquiries from Debtors' counsel and other professionals regarding the administrative expense claim settlement opt-out program; (ii) processing incoming late opt-out forms; and (iii) creating and formatting reports regarding the administrative expense claim settlement opt-out program for circulation to case professionals.

#### • <u>Disbursements</u>

Fees: \$4,472.24; Hours: 19.10

Disbursements services provided included: (i) coordinating among the Prime Clerk case team, Debtors' counsel,s and the Debtors' financial advisor regarding distributions; (ii) preparing and executing supplemental distributions; and (iii) performing quality assurance review of the distribution files.

#### • Retention / Fee Application

Fees: \$1,257.96; Hours: 5.10

Retention / Fee Application services provided included drafting, revising and finalizing the Monthly Fee Statements and Prime Clerk's sixth interim fee application filed at Docket No. 9185.

#### **Summary of Expenses Incurred**

10. In rendering the services described herein, Prime Clerk incurred actual and necessary expenses in the aggregate amount of \$70.00 during the Interim Fee Period for telephonic

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> All fee amounts indicated in paragraph 9 do not reflect the applied discount.

participation in hearings. Attached hereto as **Exhibit B** is a list of expenses incurred by Prime Clerk employees during the Interim Fee Period.

## Prime Clerk's Requested Fees and Reimbursement of Expenses Should Be Allowed by this Court

11. Section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code provides that a court may award a professional employed under section 327 of the Bankruptcy Code "reasonable compensation for actual, necessary services rendered ... and reimbursement for actual, necessary expenses." 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(1). Section 330 sets forth the criteria for the award of compensation and reimbursement:

In determining the amount of reasonable compensation to be awarded ... the court shall consider the nature, the extent, and the value of such services, taking into account all relevant factors, including –

- (a) the time spent on such services;
- (b) the rates charged for such services;
- (c) whether the services were necessary to the administration of, or beneficial at the time at which the service was rendered toward the completion of, a case under this title:
- (d) whether the services were performed within a reasonable amount of time commensurate with the complexity, importance, and nature of the problem, issue, or task addressed;
- (e) with respect to a professional person, whether the person is board certified or otherwise has demonstrated skill and experience in the bankruptcy field; and
- (f) whether the compensation is reasonable based on the customary compensation charged by comparably skilled practitioners in cases other than cases under this title.
- 12. In accordance with the factors enumerated in section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code, it is respectfully submitted that the amounts requested by Prime Clerk are fair and reasonable given (a) the complexity of this case, (b) the time expended, (c) the rates charged for such services, (d) the nature and extent of the services rendered, (e) the value of such services and (f) the costs of comparable services other than in a case under this title.

- 13. In addition, Prime Clerk's hourly rates are set at a level designed to fairly compensate Prime Clerk for the work of its professionals and to cover routine overhead expenses. Hourly rates vary with the experience and seniority of the individuals assigned. These hourly rates are subject to periodic adjustments to reflect economic and other conditions and are consistent with the rates charged elsewhere.
- 14. Lastly, Prime Clerk maintains computerized records of the time spent by employees of Prime Clerk in connection with its role as administrative agent to the Debtors. **Exhibit A** hereto: (i) identifies the employee that rendered services in each task category; (ii) describes each service such employee performed; (iii) sets forth the number of hours in increments of one-tenth of an hour spent by each individual providing services; and (iv) as applicable, lists the amount and type of expenses incurred.

#### **Allowance of Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses**

15. Prime Clerk requests that it be allowed, on an interim basis, compensation for professional services rendered and reasonable and necessary expenses incurred during the Interim Fee Period in the aggregate amount of \$4,944.75 and \$70.00, respectively, for a total aggregate amount of \$5,014.75. It is possible that some time expended or expenses incurred during the Interim Fee Period are not reflected in this Application. Prime Clerk reserves the right to include such amounts in future fee applications.

#### **Certification of Compliance and Waiver**

16. The undersigned has reviewed the requirements of Rule 2016-1 of the Local Rules and that the Application substantially complies with that Local Rule. To the extent that the Application does not comply in all respects with the requirements of Local Rule 2016-1, Prime

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Clerk believes that such deviations are not material and respectfully requests that any such

requirements be waived.

Notice

17. Pursuant to the Compensation Order, this Application will be served upon the Fee

Notice Parties (as defined in the Compensation Order). Prime Clerk submits, in light of the relief

requested, no other or further notice is necessary.

Conclusion

WHEREFORE, Prime Clerk respectfully requests that the Court enter an order: (i) granting

Prime Clerk interim allowance of compensation for professional services rendered in the aggregate

amount of \$4,944.75, which represents 100% of the total compensation for professional services

rendered by Prime Clerk during the Interim Fee Period; (ii) granting Prime Clerk reimbursement

of \$70.00 for 100% of the actual and necessary costs and expenses incurred by Prime Clerk during

the Interim Fee Period; (iii) authorizing and directing the Debtors to pay Prime Clerk \$5,014.75

(less any amounts previously paid) for professional services rendered and for actual and necessary

expenses; and (iv) granting such other and further relief as is just and proper.

Dated: April 14, 2021

New York, New York

/s/ Shira D. Weiner

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CERTIFICATION UNDER GUIDELINES FOR FEES AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR PROFESSIONALS IN RESPECT OF SEVENTH INTERIM FEE APPLICATION OF PRIME CLERK LLC, AS ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT TO THE DEBTORS, FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR THE PERIOD FROM NOVEMBER 1, 2020 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2021

#### I, Shira D. Weiner, hereby certify that:

- 1. I am the General Counsel of Prime Clerk LLC ("**Prime Clerk**"), administrative agent to Sears Holdings Corporation and certain of its affiliates, as debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "**Debtors**").
- 2. This certification is made in respect of Prime Clerk's compliance with the Amended Guidelines for Fees and Disbursements for Professionals in Southern District of New York

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Bankruptcy Cases, effective as of February 5, 2013 (as adopted by General Order M-447) (the "Local Guidelines"), and the U.S. Trustee Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed Under 11 U.S.C. §330 effective January 30, 1996 (the "UST Guidelines" together with the Local Guidelines, the "Fee Guidelines"), in connection with Prime Clerk's interim fee application (the "Application") for allowance and approval of compensation for professional services rendered to the Debtors and for reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred in connection with such services for the period from November 1, 2020 through February 28, 2021 (the "Interim Fee Period").

- 3. In respect of Section B.1 of the Local Guidelines, I certify that:
  - (a) I have read the Application;
  - (b) to the best of my knowledge, information and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, the fees and expenses sought fall within the Fee Guidelines;
  - (c) the fees and disbursements sought are billed at rates and in accordance with practices customarily employed by Prime Clerk and generally accepted by Prime Clerk's clients; and
  - (d) in seeking the reimbursement of expenses described in the Application, Prime Clerk did not make a profit on those services, whether performed by Prime Clerk in-house or through a third party.
- 4. In respect of Section B.2 of the Local Guidelines, I certify that Prime Clerk has provided the U.S. Trustee, the Debtors and their attorneys, and counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") with a statement of Prime Clerk's fees and expenses accrued during the Interim Fee Period.

- 5. In respect of Section B.3 of the Local Guidelines, I certify that the Debtors, its attorneys, counsel to the Committee and the U.S. Trustee are each being provided with a copy of the Application.
- 6. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: April 14, 2021

New York, New York

/s/ Shira D. Weiner

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Exhibit A

Fee Detail



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### **Hourly Fees by Employee through November 2020**

<u>Initial</u>	Employee Name	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Total</u>
CCP	Pagan, Chanel C	CO - Consultant	0.40	\$192.50	\$77.00
CHP	Porter, Christine C	SC - Senior Consultant	2.30	\$214.50	\$493.35
GB	Brunswick, Gabriel	DI - Director	0.30	\$242.00	\$72.60
		TOTAL:	3.00		\$642.95

### **Hourly Fees by Task Code through November 2020**

Task Code	Task Code Description	!	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Total</u>
DISB	Disbursements		2.30	\$493.35
RETN	Retention / Fee Application		0.70	\$149.60
		TOTAL:	3.00	\$642.95

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### **Time Detail**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Emp</u>	<u>Title</u>	Description	<u>Task</u>	<u>Hours</u>
11/05/20	CHP	SC	Coordinate payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.30
11/06/20	CHP	SC	Coordinate payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.20
11/09/20	CHP	SC	Confer and correspond with T. Kim (M-III) re distributions	Disbursements	0.20
11/12/20	CHP	SC	Confer and correspond with C. Kopsky (M-III) re distributions	Disbursements	0.20
11/16/20	CHP	SC	Confer and correpsond with T. Kim (M-III) re distributions	Disbursements	0.20
11/17/20	CHP	SC	Quality assurance review of distribution database	Disbursements	0.20
11/17/20	CHP	SC	Coordinate check payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.20
11/18/20	CHP	SC	Coordinate check payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.20
11/25/20	CHP	SC	Confer and correspond with C. Kopsky (M-III) re distribution checks	Disbursements	0.40
11/25/20	GB	DI	Draft monthly fee statement	Retention / Fee Application	0.30
11/27/20	CHP	SC	Coordinate distribution check payment	Disbursements	0.20
11/30/20	CCP	CO	Review and file monthly fee statement	Retention / Fee Application	0.40
			Tot	al Hours	3.00

### **Expense Detail**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Telephonic Hearing			\$70.00
	Total Expens	ses	\$70.00



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### **Hourly Fees by Employee through December 2020**

<u>Initial</u>	Employee Name	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Total</u>
ОВ	Bitman, Oleg	SC - Senior Consultant	0.20	\$214.50	\$42.90
CHP	Porter, Christine C	SC - Senior Consultant	2.10	\$214.50	\$450.45
RMA	Allen, Richard M	DI - Director	2.30	\$242.00	\$556.60
GB	Brunswick, Gabriel	DI - Director	2.00	\$242.00	\$484.00
JLK	Karotkin, Josh L	DI - Director	0.20	\$242.00	\$48.40
SW	Weiner, Shira D	DI - Director	0.60	\$242.00	\$145.20
		TOTAL:	7.40	:	\$1,727.55

**Hourly Fees by Task Code through December 2020** 

Task Code	Task Code Description	<u>!</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Total</u>
DISB	Disbursements		4.80	\$1,098.35
RETN	Retention / Fee Application		2.60	\$629.20
		TOTAL:	7.40	\$1,727.55

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### **Time Detail**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Emp</u>	<u>Title</u>	Description	<u>Task</u>	<u>Hours</u>
12/01/20	CHP	SC	Coordinate distribution check payment	Disbursements	0.20
12/02/20	GB	DI	Draft interim fee application	Retention / Fee Application	2.00
12/04/20	SW	DI	Review and revise interim fee application	Retention / Fee Application	0.60
12/08/20	CHP	SC	Quality assurance review of distribution database	Disbursements	0.20
12/11/20	CHP	SC	Respond to creditor inquiry re distribution	Disbursements	0.10
12/14/20	CHP	SC	Confer ad correspond with T.Kim (M-III) re distribution	Disbursements	0.30
12/17/20	RMA	DI	Quality assurance review of upcoming disbursement file	Disbursements	0.30
12/18/20	CHP	SC	Quality assurance review of distribution database	Disbursements	1.10
12/18/20	RMA	DI	Prepare supplemental check file for distribution	Disbursements	1.00
12/21/20	CHP	SC	Coordinate wire payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.20
12/21/20	JLK	DI	Coordinate approval of wire for claimant	Disbursements	0.10
12/21/20	RMA	DI	Prepare and execute supplemental wire	Disbursements	0.20
12/24/20	JLK	DI	Quality assurance review of wires for claimant	Disbursements	0.10
12/24/20	ОВ	SC	Review emails and documents related to distributions	Disbursements	0.20
12/24/20	RMA	DI	Prepare and execute wire	Disbursements	0.20
12/24/20	RMA	DI	Review past disbursements	Disbursements	0.20
12/28/20	RMA	DI	Prepare supplemental check file	Disbursements	0.20
12/28/20	RMA	DI	Quality assurance review of supplemental disbursement	Disbursements	0.20
				<b>Total Hours</b>	7.40



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### **Hourly Fees by Employee through January 2021**

<u>Initial</u>	Employee Name	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Total</u>
CG	Gomez, Christine	TC - Technology Consultant	0.50	\$66.50	\$33.25
CHP	Porter, Christine C	SC - Senior Consultant	4.10	\$235.90	\$967.19
MLC	Crowell, Messiah L	SA - Solicitation Consultant	0.30	\$260.10	\$78.03
AJG	Gray, Ackheem J	SA - Solicitation Consultant	1.10	\$260.10	\$286.11
STK	Kesler, Stanislav	SA - Solicitation Consultant	1.70	\$260.10	\$442.17
JPL	Plerqui, Justin	SA - Solicitation Consultant	1.90	\$260.10	\$494.19
RMA	Allen, Richard M	DI - Director	0.80	\$266.20	\$212.96
GB	Brunswick, Gabriel	DI - Director	0.40	\$266.20	\$106.48
SW	Weiner, Shira D	DI - Director	0.20	\$266.20	\$53.24
		TOTAL.	11 00	,	¢2 672 62

TOTAL: 11.00 \$2,673.62

### **Hourly Fees by Task Code through January 2021**

Task Code	Task Code Description		<b>Hours</b>	<u>Total</u>
CORP	Corporate Actions		5.50	\$1,333.75
DISB	Disbursements		4.90	\$1,180.15
RETN	Retention / Fee Application		0.60	\$159.72
		TOTAL:	11.00	\$2,673.62

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### **Time Detail**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Emp</u>	<u>Title</u>	Description	<u>Task</u>	<u>Hours</u>
01/04/21	CHP	SC	Coordinate wire payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.30
01/04/21	CHP	SC	Respond to creditor inquiry re distribution check	Disbursements	0.20
01/04/21	RMA	DI	Review supplemental wire	Disbursements	0.30
01/05/21	CHP	SC	Prepare distribution database for M-III review	Disbursements	0.20
01/05/21	CHP	SC	Coordinate distirbtuion payment	Disbursements	0.20
01/05/21	RMA	DI	Quality assurance review of past disbursements	Disbursements	0.30
01/05/21	RMA	DI	Review check ledger for M-III	Disbursements	0.20
01/07/21	CHP	SC	Respond to creditor inquiry re distribution	Disbursements	0.20
01/08/21	CHP	SC	Coordinate distribution check payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.20
01/11/21	CHP	SC	Coordinate check payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.30
01/13/21	CHP	SC	Coordinate payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.10
01/14/21	CHP	SC	Coordinate check payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.30
01/14/21	CHP	SC	Respond to creditor inquiries re distributions	Disbursements	0.30
01/15/21	CHP	SC	Respond to creditors inquiries regarding distribution checks	Disbursements	0.30
01/19/21	CHP	SC	Confer and correspond with T. Kim (M-III) re distribution inquiry	Disbursements	0.40
01/19/21	CHP	SC	Respond to creditor inquiry regarding distribution check	Disbursements	0.20
01/21/21	AJG	SA	Input late Opt-in/Opt-out forms	Corporate Actions	1.10
01/21/21	CG	TC	Technical support for exporting opt-out data	Corporate Actions	0.50
01/21/21	CHP	SC	Confer and correspond with T. Kim (M-III) re distribution check	Disbursements	0.30
01/21/21	CHP	SC	Respond to creditor inquiry re distribution check	Disbursements	0.10
01/21/21	JPL	SA	Input late Opt-in/Opt-out forms	Corporate Actions	1.90
01/21/21	MLC	SA	Quality assurance review of incoming late Opt-in/Opt-out forms	Corporate Actions	0.30
01/22/21	STK	SA	Review and respond to inquiry from T. Kim (M3 Partners) re opt-in / opt-out submissions	Corporate Actions	0.40
01/22/21	STK	SA	Compiling and providing details in relation to the opt-in / opt-out event as requested by T. Kim (M3 Partners)	Corporate Actions	1.30
01/25/21	CHP	SC	Confer and correspond with T. Kim (M-III) re distribution check	Disbursements	0.10
01/25/21	GB	DI	Draft monthly fee statement	Retention / Fee Application	0.40
01/25/21	SW	DI	Review and revise monthly fee statement	Retention / Fee Application	0.20

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01/26/2	1 CHP		er and correspond wit oution check	th M. Buschmann (Weil) re	Disbursements	0.30		
01/28/2	1 CHP		er and correspond wit oution check	th W. Murphy (M-III) re	Disbursements	0.10		
					Total Hours	11.00		



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### **Hourly Fees by Employee through February 2021**

<u>Initial</u>	Employee Name	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Total</u>
JFR	Frans, Joudeleen	CO - Consultant	1.20	\$211.70	\$254.04
CHP	Porter, Christine C	SC - Senior Consultant	4.10	\$235.90	\$967.19
RMA	Allen, Richard M	DI - Director	1.80	\$266.20	\$479.16
GB	Brunswick, Gabriel	DI - Director	1.00	\$266.20	\$266.20
SW	Weiner, Shira D	DI - Director	0.20	\$266.20	\$53.24
		TOTAL:	8.30	\$	2,019.83

### **Hourly Fees by Task Code through February 2021**

Task Code	Task Code Description		<u>Hours</u>	<u>Total</u>
DISB	Disbursements		7.10	\$1,700.39
RETN	Retention / Fee Application		1.20	\$319.44
		TOTAL:	8.30	\$2,019.83

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### **Time Detail**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Emp</u>	<u>Title</u>	Description	<u>Task</u>	<u>Hours</u>
02/04/21	CHP	SC	Coordiante check payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.20
02/08/21	CHP	SC	Coordinate check payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.20
02/10/21	CHP	SC	Coordinate check payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.20
02/11/21	CHP	SC	Coordinate payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.20
02/12/21	CHP	SC	Coordinate check payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.20
02/17/21	CHP	SC	Coordinate check payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.30
02/17/21	RMA	DI	Quality assurance review of supplemental check	Disbursements	0.20
02/19/21	CHP	SC	Coordinate wire payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.40
02/19/21	CHP	SC	Confer and correspond with T. Kim (M-III) re distribution payments	Disbursements	0.20
02/19/21	CHP	SC	Quality assurance review of distribution database	Disbursements	1.30
02/22/21	CHP	SC	Coordinate wire payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.30
02/22/21	GB	DI	Draft monthly fee application	Retention / Fee Application	0.50
02/22/21	RMA	DI	Coordinate upcoming distribution	Disbursements	0.20
02/23/21	CHP	SC	Quality assurance review of distribution database	Disbursements	0.20
02/23/21	CHP	SC	Coordinate wire payment from distribution account	Disbursements	0.30
02/23/21	GB	DI	Draft monthly fee statement	Retention / Fee Application	0.50
02/23/21	RMA	DI	Coordinate and prepare wire as per M III	Disbursements	0.40
02/23/21	SW	DI	Review and revise monthly fee statement	Retention / Fee Application	0.20
02/24/21	CHP	SC	Confer and correspond with T. Kim (M-III) re distribution	Disbursements	0.10
02/24/21	RMA	DI	Prepare and review file for upcoming distribution	Disbursements	0.20
02/25/21	JFR	CO	Prepare and format distribution check file	Disbursements	1.20
02/25/21	RMA	DI	Confer and correspond with T. Kim (M III) re distribution	Disbursements	0.10
02/25/21	RMA	DI	Prepare and review file for upcoming distribution	Disbursements	0.40
02/26/21	RMA	DI	Review supplemental distribution files	Disbursements	0.20
02/26/21	RMA	DI	Confer and correspond with T. Kim (M III) re distribution	Disbursements	0.10
				<b>Total Hours</b>	8.30

# Exhibit B Detail of Expenses Incurred by Prime Clerk Employees During the Statement Period

<b>Employee Name</b>	Date	Expense Type	Amount
Brunswick, Gabriel	10/15/2020	Telephonic Hearing	\$70.00
TOTAL			\$70.00